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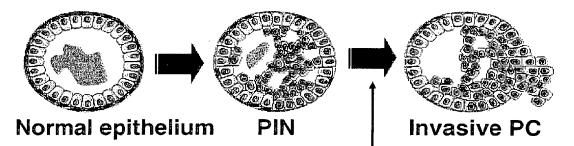
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(57) Abstract: Objective methods for diagnosing a predisposition to developing prostate cancer (PRC) are described herein. In one embodiment, the diagnostic method involves the determining a expression level of PRC -associated gene that discriminate between PRC and PIN. The present invention further provides methods of screening for therapeutic agents useful in the treatment of PRC, methods of treating PRC.

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